

February 3, 1993

Honorable Diane Feinstein
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

1993 FEB 12 AM 9:46

Dear Senator Feinstein,

I am writing to you today to express my concern about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), PR Docket 92-235. I am told, if adopted, will greatly impact the hobby and sport of Radio Controlled Flying. Although I am not directly affected by this proposal, I can only imagine the detrimental affects this will have on both the modeling and aeronautical industries.

Two of my employees are heavily into the sport and have shown significant improvements in their understanding of the general and specific dynamics of aircraft flight. As a result of a large Southern Calif. aerospace firm

February 7, 1993

Dear Senator Feinstein

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I have been interested in airplanes since I was a small child. As a young man I enjoyed constructing model airplanes and when I was able to afford it, became involved with radio controlled planes. I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy building and operating radio controlled model airplanes.

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of radios. but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me to continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72 - 76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

Ronald R. Ryne

February 7, 1993

1993 FEB 12 AM 10:31

The Honorable Diane Feinstein
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

My name is Steve Starbuck and I work for the accounting firm of Brown, Waits and Armstrong in the beautiful city of Bakersfield, California.

I would like to bring to your attention an issue that is very close to me. I am a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). I am also a member of the Southern San Joaquin Soaring Society. We are an active radio control model sailplane club registered with the AMA. We fly most Saturday's and every Sunday at the middle school in Lamont CA. We fly for fun and competitively throughout the year in many different cities around the state.

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margin of safety will be greatly decrease.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wingspans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The model themselves are expensive to build, but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me, the AMA, and the hundreds of thousands of model aviation enthusiasts around the nation continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,



Steven R. Starbuck
Model aviator and enthusiast



THE HONORABLE DIANNE FEINSTEIN
UNITED STATES SENATE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

FEBRUARY 3, 1993

THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSIONS, IS CONSIDERING ADDITIONAL FREQUENCIES FOR LAND MOBILE SERVICE (NPRM-PR DOCKET 92-235). THESE FREQUENCIES WOULD BRACKET FREQUENCIES THAT ARE USED FOR RADIO CONTROLLED MODEL AIRCRAFT FLYING.

THIS PROPOSAL BRINGS A NUMBER OF CONCERNS TO ME. I WILL TRY TO BRIEFLY OUTLINE THEM AS FOLLOWS.

THE LAND MOBILE SIGNALS WILL BE ALMOST FOUR TIMES MORE POWERFUL THAN THE RADIO CONTROL MODEL AIRCRAFT SIGNALS. BEING MOBILE, AND MORE POWERFUL, AN USER OF THE LAND FREQUENCY COULD ENTER AN AREA WHERE MODEL FLYING IS IN PROGRESS, AND OVERPOWER THE MODEL TRANSMITTER. THIS WOULD RENDER THE SAFE CONTROL OF THE MODEL AIRCRAFT IMPOSSIBLE. THIS MORE POWERFUL LAND SIGNAL WOULD THEN ACTIVATE THE CONTROLS OF THE AIRCRAFT. THIS WOULD MOST CERTAINLY RESULT IN THE AIRCRAFT CRASHING TO THE GROUND.

FLYING SITES HAVE VARIOUS AMOUNTS OF DISTANCE FROM INHABITED AREAS, AND ROADWAYS. A MODEL THAT IS NOT ABLE TO BE CONTROLLED BY THE PILOT HOWEVER, CAN TRAVEL CONSIDERABLE DISTANCES IN A VERY SHORT TIME. THIS TIME INTERVAL ENHANCES THE CHANCE THAT THE MODEL COULD VERY POSSIBLY CRASH IN INHABITED AREAS, OR ON A ROADWAY. THIS OBVIOUSLY COULD HAVE VERY SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES.

ANOTHER FACTOR IS THE PERSONAL COST OF SUCH MODELS. THIS VARIES FROM

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Feb. 3, 1993

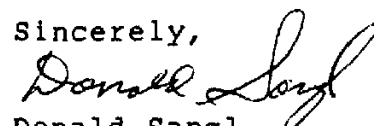
The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
331 Hart Senate Office Bldg
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein,

I am writing to protest a proposed FCC rule change in radio frequency usage (PR Docket 92-325). I have a small business concerned with radio controlled model aircraft and have enjoyed modeling activity as a hobby for many years. A rule change that became effective January, 1991 provided a suitable number of channels for radio control of models but necessitated buying new radio equipment.

The proposed rule change now will take away and/or make some of those channels unusable and may require purchase of more new radio equipment. This equipment is expensive to buy and why can't FCC regulations be stable enough so it can be used for a period of time (at least longer than two years).

Sincerely,


Donald Sangl

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Magalia, CA 95954

The Honorable Diane Feinstein
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

1993 FEB -8 PM 1:13

January 26, 1993

*Ray Endlich
11516 Blyways St.
50. El Monte CA.
91733*

Dear Ms. Feinstein:

I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes. I am very concerned about proposed rules that are under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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It is unfortunate that the FCC chooses to ignore the financial investment hobbyists have poured into modeling. This hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 Mhz band.

Sincerely,

Raymond A. Endlich

Wayne Botz
1415 S. Bluebird St.
Santa Maria, CA 93454
Telephone (805) 925-2179

February 7, 1993

93 FEB 11 PM 12:12

The Honorable Diane Feinstein
United States Senate
367 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0504

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I work and derive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes. I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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February 6, 1993

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
U.S. Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am alarmed to see that the FCC is proposing to implement PR Docket 92-235.

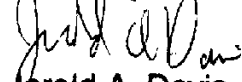
As a radio modeler, the implementation of this rule would render useless thousands of dollars worth of my equipment.

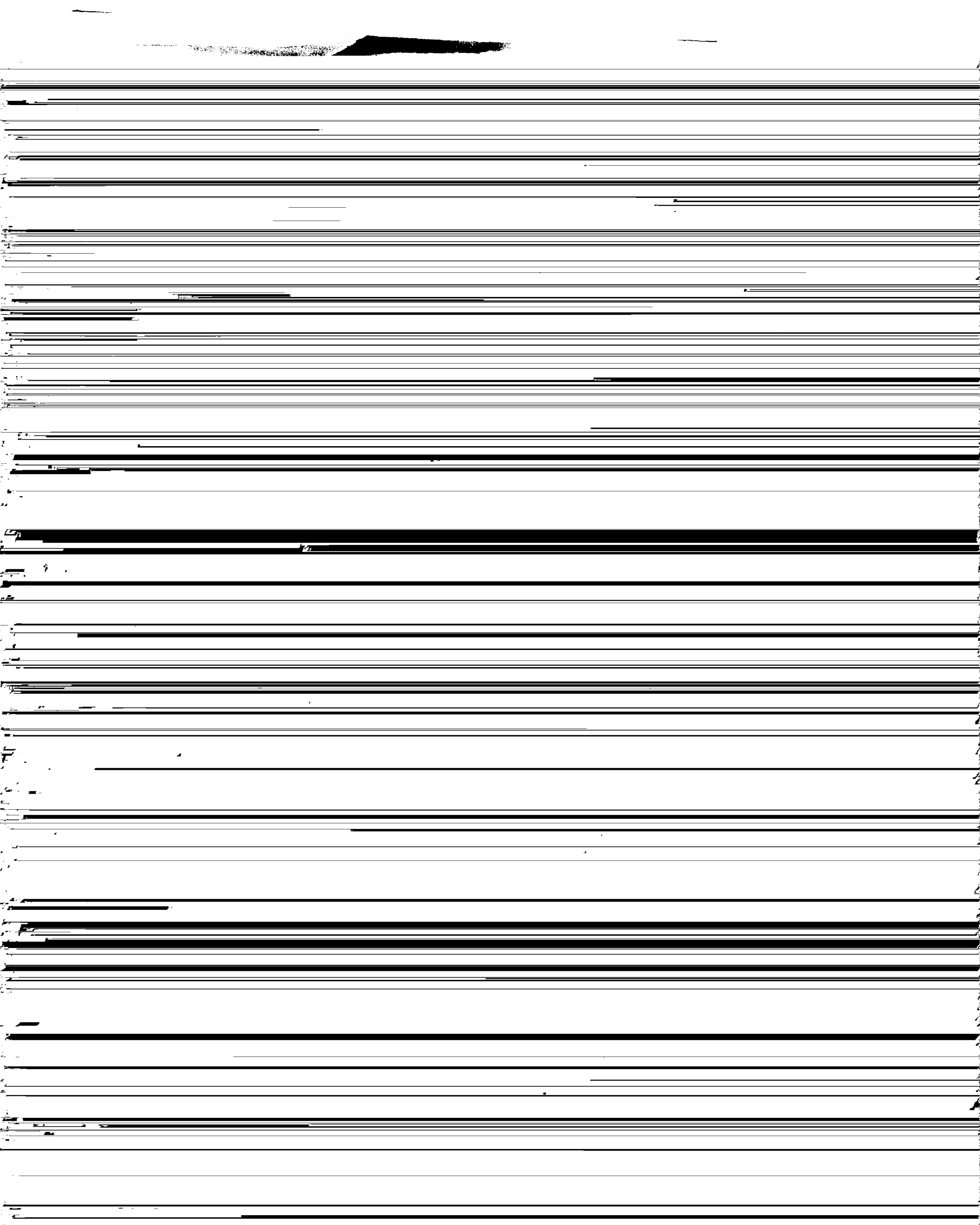
This rule will allow use of mobile transmitters of greater power between the radio frequencies used by model aviation hobbyist. The variability of location, strength of side bands and inadequate separation of the proposed radio frequencies will result in unreliable control of model aircraft.

Modelers who choose to ignore this situation, if it goes into affect, will be a hazard to the public. This can be a very dangerous situation as these models are not paper and stick airplanes. They are heavy, high powered, fast and sophisticated.

Please do not allow this rule to go into affect. I love my hobby/sport of radio controlled model airplanes, and I would be lost as to what to do for a hobby, if I have to give them up.

Sincerely,


Jerold A. Davis



The Honorable Diane Feinstein
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20510

David J. Schat
2422 Silverstrand Ave.
Hermosa Beach, CA 90254

Dear Mrs. Feinstein,

I've been interested in aviation for as long as I can remember. I am very active in several local clubs whose members enjoy building and operating radio controlled model aircraft for fun and in competitions against each other.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the FCC. The preceding is PR Docket 92-235 that affects 72-76 MHz band. If adopted, the new rules will seriously reduce the useability of radio frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risks of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

The FCC wants to insert more mobile land use frequencies in between the frequencies used to control our airplanes. The separation between frequencies will not be sufficient to guarantee noninterference so we will have to eliminate 31 of our 50 frequencies for safety purposes. This does not eliminate all safety hazards and will cause tremendous crowding on the usable frequencies making accidents more likely.

When we fly our airplanes we go to great lengths to insure the safety of ourselves, bystanders, and property, in fact many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination of radio frequencies to prevent interference.

I'm involved in competitive events that have hundreds of flyers as well as bystanders with aircraft that can weigh as much as 40 pounds and travel over a hundred MPH. These airplanes are not the stick and tissue type usually associated with model airplanes but high tech, computer controlled, and molded of fiberglass and foam. You can imagine the injury that could result as the result of an airplane losing control due to interference, not to mention the disappointment and the monetary loss of the airplane so much hard work had gone into.

The FCC may not think we are as important as the business users and are trying to prove it with these rules but many of us have a considerable investment of thousands of dollars in our hobby and derive much pleasure out of it. Please don't let the special lobbying power of large business increase the risk and ruin the enjoyment of many many individuals such as myself.

Sincerely,



David J. Schat

February 4, 1993

93 FEB 11 PM 12:03

The Honorable Senator Dianne Feinstein
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Dianne Feinstein,

I am a sportsman involved in building and flying model radio controlled sailplanes. I Would like to draw your attention to an FCC Proposed Rule Making which would have a profound effect on my sport. This is NPRM - PR Docket 92-235.

This Rule is a massive restructuring of the use of radio frequencies in the U.S., one effect of which would be to allow large numbers of mobile radio users to operate on frequencies interleaved with our current limited set of model airplane use frequencies. The frequencies used by these new users would be so close to ours that we could no longer safely fly our planes without the fear of interference which would cause loss of our beautiful birds, and perhaps injury to persons on the ground.

I am requesting your help to retain the current frequency separation in the 72 MHz and 75 MHz frequency bands used by model airplane enthusiasts. Thank you for you kind attention.

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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I am enclosing a copy of a letter that I sent to the FCC, Please read it. I feel it is very important that you help us defeat this proposal. The time frame is very urgent, after February 26 1993 it will be too late. I am anticipating your support and will very much appreciate it.

David W. Bowen
750 Hazel St. Livermore CA 94550

David W. Bowen



FCC
1919 M Street N.W.
Washington, DC. 20554

I'm writing this letter because I'm concerned about the fact that in excess of 400,000 Radio Controlled modelers will be affected. I'm concern that entire businesses may be eliminated or severely affected. The Mom and Pop hobby shops, magazine publishers, raw material suppliers, and many others may have to close their doors. And what about the modelers themselves. We have a right to pursue our hobby, our relaxation, and our gratification. How many kids are doing something constructive in radio controlled modeling instead of something destructive on the streets?

I'm concerned about the proposed changes before the FCC in PR Docket 92-235. The

The Honorable

Dear

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I am involved with the sport of Radio Controlled modeling. I am presently a member of the Bayside Radio Control Club in Fremont, California. Our club has over 270 members. I enjoy the building and the flying of R/C aircraft. In the begining of 1991, we under went the changing of all our Radio equipment to insure that we met the new guidelines set forth by the FCC and to keep our hobby safe. I presently own ~~4~~ Radio control systems and 7 different models and I have a workshop full of products, equipment, and projects necessary to operate my aircraft.

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Sincerely,

John F. Ylavaranta
18887 Afton ave
Sanatoga Ca 95070

The Honorable Ms. Dianne Feinstein

Dear Ms. Feinstein

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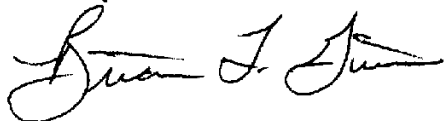
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Sincerely,



21 February 1999
365 Alameda del Pr.
Novato CA 94949

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
United States Senate
Washington D.C. 20510

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Dear Senator Feinstein:

I was an active member in the Marin
R/C Club before I entered the military. While in
the military I have continued my hobby and

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we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the

DEAR SENATOR FEINSTEIN,

100 FEB 5 PM 6:27
Please help DEFEAT PROcket 92-235 before 2-26-93
I am an attorney who has enjoyed Model Aviation
for the last 10 years.

This proposal must be defeated because:

1) The new channels will be so close to our channel
that there will be regular interference. This could cau
our planes, which weigh up to 12 lbs and go 80 MPH, to
endanger lives and property.

2) Radios to safely fly under these conditions will be
prohibitively expensive to buy and will make the
millions of dollars worth of radios useless.

3) Thousands of companies are involved in Radio Controlled
Hobbies.

4) Probably 250,000 VOTERS enjoy R/C Hobbies!

Sincerely,
Lee E. von Kaesberg III

1993 FEB -4 PM 8:05

Date: 1/31/93

The Honorable Diane Feinstein
U. S. Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein,

I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio-controlled model airplanes. I personally own 7 radios, 12 R/C models and have a workshop full of other products necessary to operating my models.

I am very concerned about the proposed rule that is currently under consideration by the

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Donald R. Arvesen
6151 Jumilla Ave.
Woodland Hills, CA 91367
February 1, 1993

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Reference: PR Docket 92-235

Dear Ms. Dianne Feinstein,

I am a retired engineer and derive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio control airplanes. The club that I am on the board of directors "The Valley R/C Flyers", has just started an effort to extend this hobby to children. We hope that this effort will not only supply the children a life long hobby but will help them overcome the degrading temptations that exist in our present day society.

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Sincerely,

Donald Arvesen

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TO: SENATOR DIANE FEINSTEIN

REGARDING:

PR DOCKET 92-235 ----- THE BIG MISTAKE -----

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

January 21, 1993

Subject: FCC NPRM Pr Docket 88-235

Dear Senator Feinstein:

Let me begin by congratulating you on your recent election. Here's hoping things will change for the better in Washington. I am writing to request your assistance in the rejection of the subject proposal presently before the F.C.C. for adoption.

During the last five years we in the Radio Control Model hobby were required to replace all our equipment because the F.C.C. decreased our frequency spacing from 20 Khz to 10 Khz. The equipment replacement was very expensive and now they would all be obsoleted by this docket changing the spacing to 2.5 Khz.

1-31-93

THE HONORABLE DIANE FEINSTEIN
UNITED STATES SENATE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

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DEAR SENATOR FEINSTEIN